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Applicants

Aaron P. White et al.

Application No.

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For

BACTERIAL FIMBRIAL SYSTEM FOR PRESENTATION OF

HETEROLOGOUS PEPTIDE SEQUENCES

Examiner

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated March 8, 2002, please extend the period of time for response two (2) months, to expire on August 8, 2002. Enclosed is a Petition for an Extension of Time with the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph title at page 1, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph title:

P) C--Creation of Recombinant Salmonella Strains[--]

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Several strains of *E. coli* produce fimbriae named curli, which are highly related to thin aggregative fimbriae from *Salmonella* spp. Both TAF and curli are primarily

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